

House Resolution No. 417

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Anita Ludwig of Louisiana, Missouri, who will receive the Missouri Preservation McReynolds Award during an awards ceremony to be held March 3, 2004, in the Rotunda of the Missouri State Capitol; and

Whereas, Missouri Preservation, known formally as the Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation, is Missouri's only statewide, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting, supporting, and coordinating historic preservation activities throughout the state; and

Whereas, Anita Ludwig grew up in a Minnesota town where older buildings were used and cared for, and moved to Louisiana in the 1960s where, with her passion and interest in historic preservation, she began her work of saving the city's cultural heritage; and

Whereas, Anita Ludwig first bought and restored the magnificent Governor Stark mansion on Georgia Street, and then was instrumental in listing the Georgia Street Historic District on the National Register of Historic Places; and

Whereas, in 1984, Anita Ludwig was appointed by Mayor Junior Clark as chairman of the Historic Preservation Committee, of which she served as president when it became the Louisiana Historic Preservation Association (LHPA) two years later; and

Whereas, Anita Ludwig has worked to save many of Louisiana's historic buildings from ruin, including the Lewis Building, which now houses offices; the Tulley building, which was pulled from the brink of collapse when the roof fell taking the first and second floors into the basement; the Grand Central Hotel, which was destined to become a parking lot; a historic commercial building at 407 Georgia Street; three houses on North Third Street, one of which is now a bed and breakfast; and the Chicago and Alton railroad depot; and

Whereas, Anita Ludwig remains committed to the Louisiana community, where she chairs a historic house tour every year, assists others in the area with their nominations to the National Register, and continues to serve on the Board of the LHPA:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Anita Ludwig at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing her only the very best of success in all her future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Anita Ludwig, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____

Representative Terry L. Witte

District No. 10

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 417, adopted February 5, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker